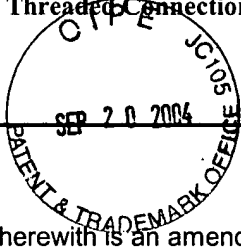

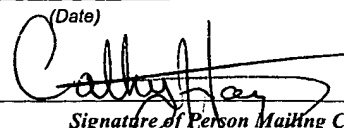


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 21, 2004, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.